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London, 12th Sept., 1767.

Sir,

The Chief purport of this is to Inclose you a Line Just rec'd from Mr. Bailey, of Huntingdonshire, informing us that your name sake of Hail Weston, in the said County, died the 5th Instant & by will had given a good real Estate & the principal part of his personal Estate to a gentleman described as follows:

To the Eldest son of my Cousin Robert Throckmorton, Esq., now or late upon York River in Gloucester County, in Virginia, & to his Heirs & assigns for ever, & had appointed the above I. Bailey, his Trustee & Ex'r. Mr. Bailey desired we would send him an answer, which we did, & as he purposes writing himself, shall as soon as we receive it, order it to be Immediately forwarded. We presume Mr. John Throckmorton to be your Eldest son, & if so, the Sooner he comes over the better, without waiting for any further Information than this. Mr. Bailey recommends as he is an entire stranger to every party here, that it will be necessary for your son to bring with him proper certificates signed by the Gov'r & put under the Colony Seal, with every Credential to prove him to be the Identical person described as above, or else he will meet with great Difficultyes in the disposal of the real Estate or getting into his possession the personal, which is Vested in the Publick Funds & who, were the least doubt is made will never part with a sixpence. As we are doubtfull whether Mr. John Throckmorton is your Eldest son we have not wrote him, but referr'd everything to yourself what services we can render him, you or any of your family we shall with Great pleasure do. What we can learn the Estate left to your son is worth Eight thousand pounds. We give you Joy of this event and remain,

Sr. Your Most hum. Servt.,

ROBERT CARY & Co.

Major Robert Throckmorton.

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ESKRIDGE FAMILY.

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3. Samuel² (George¹), married Jane Steptoe, and had: 1. Rebecca; 2. Charles; 3. Richard; 4. Burdette; 5. John——, born 1743.

3. Charles³ (Samuel,² George¹), married first, Miss Guley, and had one son William; second, Caroline Lane, a widow, and had one son Hector.

3. William⁴ (Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), married —— . He was for thirty years clerk of court for Loudoun county. His children were: 1. Charles Guley; 2. William; 3. Alexander, Captain U. S. N.; 4. Alfred A., a minister of the M. E. Church, South,

3. Charles Guley⁵ (William,⁴ Charles,⁴ Samuel,² George¹), married Margaret P. Hunter, daughter of General John Chapman Hunter, of Fairfax county. Their children were: 1. Mary H.; 2. Isabel K., unmarried, and living now at the Louise Home, Washington, D. C.

3. Mary⁶ H. (Charles,⁵ William,⁴ Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), married Albert T. Wilcoxon, of Fairfax county, Va., and had: 1. Bessie; 2. Harvey.

3. Bessie⁷ (Mary,⁶ Charles,⁵ William,⁴ Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), married ——— Van Deventer, and had:

3. Harry⁷ (Mary,⁶ Charles,⁵ William,⁴ Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), married ———.

3. 2. William⁵ (William,⁴ Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), went to Philadelphia, and nothing is known of him.

3. 3. Alexander⁵ (William,⁴ Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), Captain U. S. N., died unmarried.

3. 4. Alfred A., married ———, and had four children, two daughters and two sons. One daughter married John A. Kern, formerly president of Randolph-Macon college; the other married Major Newton, of Staunton. One son, Beverly, lives in St. Louis, and the other lives in Staunton, Va.,

3. Charles³ (Samuel,² George¹), married second, Caroline Lane, and had: 1. Hector.

3. Hector⁴ (Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), emigrated to Missouri about 1837, married ———, and had: 1. Thomas Orlando.

3. Thomas⁵ Orlando (Hector,⁴ Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), married Mrs. Mary Peyton McIlvain (a widow with one son, who was Colonel C. S. A., and was killed at Champion Hill, near Vicksburg, June, 1863), and had issue: 1. Orlando Wilson, served in McCullough's Texas Rangers, C. S. A.; 2. Winfield Scott, served in Federal Army.

3. Richard Isaac, Lieutenant-Colonel, 18th Infantry, U. S. A.

3. Colonel Richard⁶ Isaac (Thomas⁵ O., Hector,⁴ Charles,³ Samuel,² George¹), married Miss Stevens, and had: 1. Richard; 2. Maud; 3. Oliver, Lieutenant 23d Infantry, now in Philippines; 4. Mary Peyton.

Colonel Eskridge was born and reared in Missouri. His long and distinguished military career began in 1861. He served first in the Second Iowa Infantry, then in the Second and Fourteenth Missouri Cavalry. He participated in the battles of Fort Donelson and Shiloh, and later in many of the sharp skirmishes in Missouri, Arkansas and Tennessee, including Price's famous raid through Missouri in 1864. He was mustered out of the volunteer service with the rank of captain in 1865.

Colonel Eskridge's service in the regular army dates from February 23, 1866, when he was assigned to the Fourteenth Infantry as Second Lieutenant. Later in the same year, upon the organization of the Twenty-third Infantry, he was assigned to that regiment. He was bre-

vetted for conspicuous gallantry in an action against the Indians under General Crook, at Infernal Caverns, Pitt River, California, September 26, 1867. He continued in the Twenty-third, serving through all the grades, including that of captain, until April 17, 1897. In that year he joined the Tenth Infantry, then stationed in Oklahoma, with the rank of major.

When the Spanish war broke out he went with his regiment to the Southern coast and was assigned to the Second Brigade of the First Division of the Fifth Army Corps. He took part in the assault of San Juan Hill, and commanded the firing line of Pearson's brigade, so highly complimented by Kent for its gallant advance against the town of Santiago, July 1. He was in the most advanced portion of the line in the fierce engagement of July 2, and in the hot fight for the possession of Green Ridge, the Major was wounded by a shrapnel bullet which entered his back. The wound was a serious one, affecting the nerves of the left leg, from the effects of which he is still lame. The same shrapnel killed five and wounded seven soldiers. He was removed to the brigade hospital, and then to the division hospital near General Shafter's headquarters. A week later yellow fever was discovered in this camp, and all the wounded, including Major Eskridge, were removed to Siboney, and placed on board the hospital ship "Relief." Shortly after he was taken to Fort Monroe, and in August to the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, remaining there until he was again transferred in November, 1898, to the Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, Arkansas. In May, 1899, Major Eskridge was transferred to the Army General Hospital, Washington Barracks, D. C., where he underwent an unsuccessful operation to remove the bullet.

Colonel Eskridge arrived in San Francisco on November 27, en route to the Phillipines, where he intended to join his regiment stationed at Jolo. He was ordered to sail on the *Sherman*, December 6, but on account of the seriousness of his wound the war department ordered him to remain and placed him in command of the fort at the Presidio.

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THE FITZHUGH FAMILY.*

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22. WILLIAM⁴ FITZHUGH (*Henry*,⁸ *William*³) was born August 21, 1729, and died April 17, 1785. Did he marry or leave issue?

25. COL. WILLIAM⁴ FITZHUGH (*George*,⁸ *William*³) born 1721, died February 11, 1798, resided first in Stafford county, Virginia. There is recorded in Stafford a long deed, dated March 8, 1759, from William Fitzhugh, of Calvert county, Maryland, Esq., conveying a tract of land there which had been left by his grandfather, William Fitzhugh, to his father, George Fitzhugh. An abstract of the deed is given in this *Mag-*